DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
Science Advisory Board

AGENCY: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA),
Department of Commerce (DOC).

ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of two meetings of the Science Advisory Board (SAB). The members will discuss issues outlined in the section on Matters to be considered.

DATES: There are two meetings: the first meeting is scheduled for August 27, 2020, from 3:00PM to 3:45PM Eastern Daylight Time (EDT). The second meeting is scheduled for September 22, 2020, from 3:00PM to 5:00PM Eastern Daylight Time (EDT). These times and the agenda topics described below are subject to change. For the latest agenda please refer to the SAB web site: http://sab.noaa.gov/SABMeetings.aspx

ADDRESSES: Due to the current Pandemic both meetings will be held virtually. The link for the webinar registration for the August 27, 2020 meeting may be found here: https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/1216984958297330448

The link for the September 22, 2020 meeting will be posted on the SAB website when available.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The NOAA Science Advisory Board (SAB) was established by a Decision Memorandum dated September 25, 1997, and is the only Federal Advisory Committee with responsibility to advise the Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere on strategies for research, education, and application of science to operations and information services.

SAB activities and advice provide necessary input to ensure that National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) science programs are of the highest quality and provide optimal support

to resource management.

STATUS: The August 27, 2020 meeting will be open to public participation with a 5-minute public comment period at 3:40PM (EDT). The September 22, 2020 meeting will have a 5-minute public comment period at 4:45PM (EDT). The SAB expects that public statements presented at its meetings will not be repetitive of previously submitted verbal or written statements. In general, each individual or group making a verbal presentation will be limited to a total time of three minutes. Written comments for the August 27, 2020 meeting should be received by August 12, 2020 and written comments for the September 22, 2020 meeting should be received in the SAB Executive Director's Office by September 7, 2020 to provide sufficient time for SAB review. Written comments received by the SAB Executive Director after these dates will be distributed to the SAB, but may not be reviewed prior to the meeting date.

SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS: These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for special accommodations may be directed to the Executive Director no later than 12:00PM (EDT).

MATTERS to be CONSIDERED: The meeting on August 27, 2020 will consider the Precipitation Prediction Grand Challenge report by the Climate Working Group. The September 22, 2020 meeting will consider updates contained in the SAB long-term work plan based on the NOAA Priorities. Meeting materials, including work products, will be made available on the SAB web site: http://sab.noaa.gov/SABMeetings.aspx

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